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## Airport Familiarization

### I. Area Around Airport (Outside Fence)

- A. **Highway 80** is located approximately 1500 ft. South of the *Runway*.
- B. A **Barn** is approximately 1300 ft. East of the South end of the *Runway*.
- C. **Cypress Bayou** approaches the Airport from the East. It runs NorthWest approximately 200 ft. East of the *Fuel Farm* then turns North. It runs parallel to the airport fence line remaining approximately 200-450 ft. East of the fence. It then turns West 250 ft North of the fence line. It runs West then SouthWest and intersects the *Drainage Ditch*.
- D. A Pond is located 1000 ft. West of the *Runway* just North of *Taxiway A-3*.
- E. **Mound Cemetery** is approximately 1000 ft. West-SouthWest of the South end of the *Runway*.

### II. Access Roads

- A. The **Eastern Access Road** connects *Airport Road*. and *Gate 5*.
- B. The **Western Access Road** runs West of the airport fence line. This road runs North from *Highway 80* to *Gate 8*. It continues North to *Gate 9*. At this point it turns West then North then East to skirt the West edge of the *Pond*. At the fence line it turns North for approximately 1500 ft. then turns East to end at *Gate 1*.

### III. Gates

- A. **Gate 3** is just South of the *Terminal Building* and is accessed by the *parking area* adjacent to the *Terminal Building*.
- B. **Gate 1** is at the North end of the fence line. It is approximately 1200 ft. North of the end of the *Runway* and 250 ft. East of the *Runway centerline*. It is accessible by the *Western Access Road*.
- C. **Gate 9** is located South of the *Pond* at approximately mid-field and 750 ft. West of the *Runway centerline*. It is accessible by the *Western Access Road*.
- D. **Gate 8** is 1000 ft. North of the South end of the *Runway*. It is 750 ft. West of the *Runway centerline*. It is accessible by the *Western Access Road*.
- E. **Gate 7** is at the South end of the fence line approximately 1200 ft. South of the South end of the *Runway* and 750 ft. West of the *Runway centerline*. It is accessed by *Highway 80*.
- F. **Gate 5** is located 750 ft. East of the South end of the *Runway*. It is reached via the *Eastern Access Road*.

### IV. Buildings and Grounds

#### A. Structures

- 1. The **Terminal Building** is located to the East of the *Runway* at about mid-field.
- 2. The **Airport Managers Mobile Home** is immediately North of the *Terminal Building*.

3. The **Light Vault** (this contains the shut-off for airport power) is a gray cinder block building just East of the *Mobile Home* and North of the *Terminal Building*.
4. There are 4 **Large Hangars** North of the *Mobile Home*.
5. The **Airport Fuel Farm** is located at the North end of *VTR Airport Road*. It contains 1 12,000 gal. above ground tank for 100 LL and 1 12,000 gal. above ground tank for Jet A. The emergency shut off switch for the *Fuel Farm* is located on a large pole immediately South of the *Fuel Farm*.
6. The **Localizer Building** is 100 ft. E of the *Localizer Antenna*.
7. The **Localizer Antenna** is 1000 ft. North of the North end of the *Runway*.
8. The **Wind Sock** is located approximately 2500 ft. West of the *Runway* centerline just North of the midpoint.
9. The **ASOS** is located approximately 375 ft. West and 1000 ft. North of the South end of the *Runway*.
10. There is one row of 8 **T-Hangers** South of the *Terminal Building*.
11. The **Rotating Beacon** is located at the NorthEast end of the *T-Hangers*.
12. There are 2 **Fire Hydrants**. One *Hydrant* is located just East of the *Mobile Home*. The 2<sup>nd</sup> *Hydrant* is 40 ft. West of the *Fuel Farm*.

#### B. Paved Areas

1. The **Apron (or Ramp)** is immediately West of the *Terminal Building* and *Hangars*. It stretches for approximately 1300 ft. North-South and varies in width from 50 ft. to 100 ft. It is 500 ft. from the *Runway centerline* at its closest. It is made of asphalt.
2. There are 2 **Taxiways** to the East of the *Runway*. *A-4* is 1500 ft. from the North end. It is 500 ft. long and 50 ft. wide. *A-3* is 2500 ft. from the South end. It is 500 ft. long and 50 ft. wide. Both *Taxiways* are made of asphalt.
3. The **Runway** is 5000 ft. long and 100 ft. wide. It runs North-South and is made of asphalt.

#### C. Landscaping

1. The **Taxiway Safety Areas** extend 50 ft. to either side of the *Taxiways*.
2. The **Runway Safety Area** extends 600 ft. at each end of the *Runway* and 150 ft. from the *centerline* on each side.
3. There are 2 **Ditches** that run parallel to the *Runway*. One is approximately 300 ft. West and one is 300 ft. East of the *Runway*. These ditches extend well beyond the ends of the *Runway*.
4. There are 3 other **Ditches** on the airport grounds. One runs East from the *Eastern parallel ditch*. It begins 2000 ft. from the South end of the *Runway*. It runs East under the fence line then turns North to run under *VTR Airport Road*. It intersects *Cypress Bayou* North of the

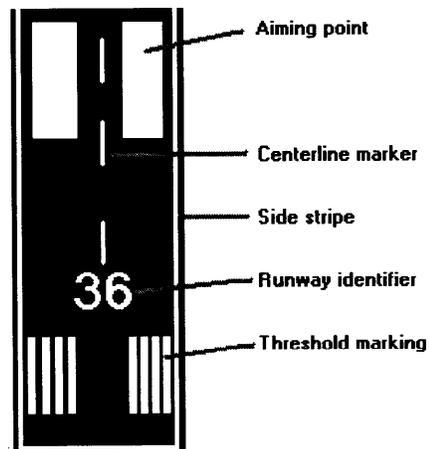
Road. A ditch runs E from the *East parallel ditch* to *Cypress Bayou* North of the *Hangers*. It is 1000 ft. South of the North end of the *Runway* and is approximately 400 ft. long. Another *ditch* runs West from the *Western parallel ditch*. It begins 2400 ft. from the South end of the *Runway* and runs West under the fence. It runs under the *West access road* and then turns NorthWest to intercept *Cypress Bayou*.

#### D. Lighting

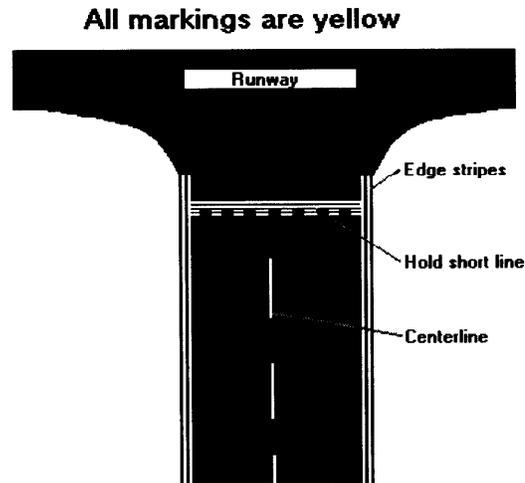
1. Runway lights
  - a. The edge lights are white, turning amber for the last 2000 ft.
  - b. The end lights are red facing the runway and green facing away from the runway.
2. Taxiway lights
  - a. The edge lights are blue.
3. The **PAPI (Precision Approach Path Indicator)** is a set of lights near the end of a runway used by a pilot to determine the proper glide path for landing.

#### E. Markings

1. Runway markings are always *white*.
  - a. The centerline is a dashed line.
  - b. The side stripes are solid.
  - c. Threshold markings are a set of parallel lines to mark the ends of the runway.
  - d. The runway designator is a large, 2 digit number that identify the runway based on the nearest tenth degree of the magnetic heading of an aircraft approaching for landing. (i.e. Runway 36—aircraft is flying  $360^\circ$  for landing)
  - e. The aiming point or 1000 ft. marker is a large rectangle on either side of the runway 1000 ft. from the end and is used as a reference point for landing aircraft.



1. **Taxiway** markings are always *yellow*.
  - a. The centerline is dashed.
  - b. The edge stripes are a solid double line.
  - c. The hold short line is a double dashed and a double solid line perpendicular to the taxiway. Always stop and check runway for traffic and make a radio call before proceeding.



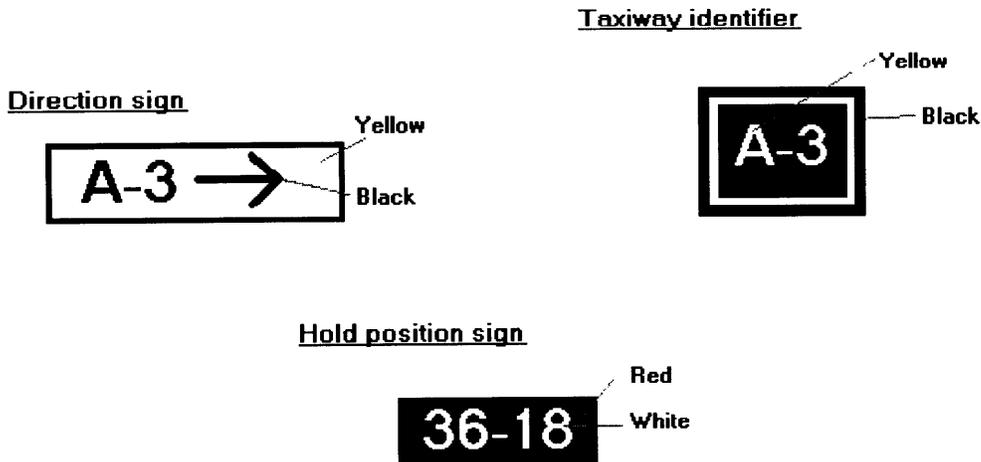
**B. Signs**

**1. Runway**

- a. Direction signs provide guidance to the taxiways. They are yellow with black inscription.

**2. Taxiway**

- a. Taxiway identifiers give the name of the taxiway. They are black with yellow inscription.
- b. The hold position sign serves the same purpose as the hold short line. It is red with white inscription.



**V. Definitions**

- A.** The **Apron** or **Ramp** is an area designated for aircraft parking, loading and unloading, maintenance, and fueling.
- B.** An **ASOS** (Automated Surface Observation System) is an automated system that provides meteorological information by radio.
- C.** The **Localizer** is part of an ILS (Instrument Landing System) that transmits signal to a receiver in an aircraft to provide the pilot with course guidance during landing.
- D.** The **Safety Area** is a cleared area around the runway or taxiway that is free of ruts, ditches, or other abnormalities, drained, and free of non-essential objects. It is capable (under dry conditions) of supporting aircraft and vehicles. Some essential objects, such as runway lights, will be located in this area but are break away.
- E.** A **Taxiway** is used by aircraft to move from the apron to the runway.

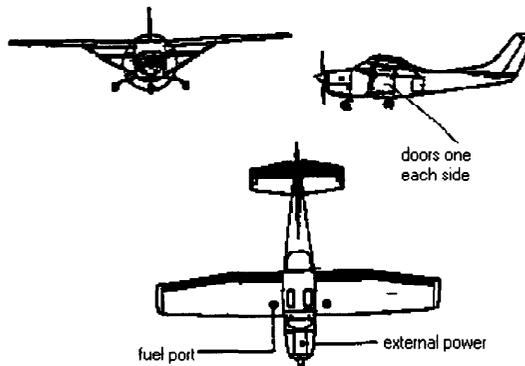
## AIRCRAFT FAMILIARIZATION

### I. TYPES OF AIRCRAFT

#### A. SINGLE ENGINE HIGH WING

##### (CESSNA 172)

1. PISTON ENGINE
2. 100 LL FUEL
3. FUEL TANKS IN WINGS
4. TOTAL CAPACITY OF 88 GAL.
5. SEATS 4
6. 2 DOORS – ONE EACH SIDE UNDER WINGS



#### B. SINGLE ENGINE LOW WING

##### (PIPER SARATOGA)

1. PISTON ENGINE
2. 100 LL FUEL
3. FUEL TANKS IN WINGS
4. TOTAL CAPACITY OF 85 GAL.
5. SEATS 6
6. 2 DOORS – ONE EACH SIDE  
(RIGHT SIDE AT FRONT, LEFT  
SIDE OVER REAR OF WING)

